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Sir:

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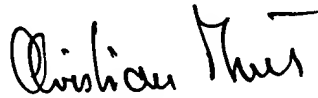
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do hereby declare that I am well acquainted with the English and German languages, and I hereby certify that the attached translation is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true and correct translation of the abstract, specification and claims of the above-identified international application, as originally filed, into the English language.

Bochum, June 6, 2002

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christian Thiel', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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